

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
TOWN OF CONCORD
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

PROCLAMATION
EARTH HOUR, MARCH 29, 2008 8-9 PM

- WHEREAS*** on March 31, 2007, more than 2 million households and businesses in Sydney Australia turned off their lights for one hour – Earth Hour – sending a global message that it is possible to take action on climate change; and
- WHEREAS*** this massive collective effort reduced Sydney’s energy consumption by 10.2% for one hour, which is the equivalent effect of taking 48,000 cars off the road for one hour; and
- WHEREAS*** the World Wildlife Fund was inspired by the collective effort of millions of Sydney’s residents, and by a similar event on October 20, 2007 in San Francisco(Lights Out San Francisco), to organize a global Earth Hour 2008, turning a symbolic event into a global movement; and
- WHEREAS*** there is growing support within our community of Concord to expand our energy efficiency and energy conservation efforts,
- Now Therefore*** The Board of Selectmen hereby proclaims March 29, 2008, 8pm - 9pm as Earth Hour and calls upon the people of the Town of Concord, businesses, and places of worship, schools, and organizations to observe this hour by turning off all non essential lighting and by replacing at least one incandescent bulb with a compact florescent bulb or an LED bulb.
- And Further*** That the Town of Concord will participate in this event by turning off all non-essential lighting in municipally owned buildings. For public safety reasons, street lights will remain on during the event. By working together, we can continue to build on energy efficiency and energy conservation efforts at all levels in the community.

Given under our hands, this 10th day of March, 2008



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